COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM

Annual CICP Provider Meeting

The CICP Annual Provider Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2007 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The location is at The Children's Hospital, 1056 E. 19th Ave., 6th floor Vestal Bldg, Lecture Hall. Inquire at the 1st floor Information Desk for directions to the room. Parking is available in the adjacent parking garage.

All providers are welcome to join the meeting in person or via conference call. Representatives should be those responsible for oversight or administering the program at their facility. This is not an eligibility or billing training session. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss potential policy changes in the program for the next fiscal year. Providers are encouraged to suggest policy or program changes at this meeting.

If you have any questions concerning this meeting, topics you would like to place on the agenda, or to RSVP and obtain a conference telephone number, contact Corinne Lamberson e-mail by corinne.lamberson@state.co.us or by phone at 303-866-2580. RSVP BY THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2006.

CICP Summary Data

A special thank you to all of the provider's billing staff who worked diligently, promptly and accurately to submit the CICP Summary Data. Results will appear in the Medically Indigent and Colorado Indigent Care Program Fiscal Year 2005-06 Annual Report now available on our website. Any questions regarding summary data can be directed to Shirley Jones at 303-866-5506.

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CICP STAFF CHANGES

The Safety Net Financing Section would like to congratulate Eugene Advincula on his promotion to reconciliation accountant for the section. Eugene has twenty years of experience in healthcare finance, specializing in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement. He has worked as a consultant, as a Medicare/Medicaid auditor for Mutual of Omaha, and as a reimbursement specialist for providers in California, Colorado, Nevada and Arkansas.

The Safety Net Financing Section is pleased to announce the addition of four new staff members. Daniel Nunez joined the Section as an accountant in October 2006. He has over seven years of accounting experience which he primarily obtained in Chicago, IL. Daniel relocated to Colorado in 2006. His previous experience includes working as a Finance and Accounting Consultant in the apparel, construction, media, packing, restaurant and non-profit industries. He will be supporting the accounting and financial calculations for the CICP and safety net provider financing projects.

Edward Phillips joined the Section in November 2006 as the Safety Net Financing Specialist. He recently finished his Master's degree in Data Mining at the University of Denver. Edward has experience as a consultant for workers' compensation cases and Medicare Set-Aside issues. As the Safety Net Financing Specialist, Edward will work on various rate setting methodologies and financing strategies to increase reimbursement rates to providers.

Please also welcome Cindy Arcuri who joined the Safety Net Financing Section in January 2007 as the new Safety Net Financing Policy Analyst. Cindy has worked in Colorado State Government for twenty years. Ten of those years were spent in HCPF's budget office assigned to fiscal notes, caseload projections and the CHP+ Program. Cindy will be working on policy issues related to the CICP and Old Age Pension program. She is excited to be back with the Department and looks forward to catching up with old colleagues and making new friends.

Finally, please welcome Corinne Lamberson as the new Safety Net Financing Eligibility Specialist. Corinne has three years of Medicaid experience, two of which were at the county level where she determined initial and ongoing eligibility for Food Stamps, Old Age Pension, Long-term Care, and Aid to the Needy and Disabled. As the new Eligibility Specialist, Corinne is available for questions regarding CICP client eligibility.

Annual Certification of Uncompensated Costs

Each year public owned providers are required to submit documentation to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing for their uncompensated costs for treating Medicaid and CICP clients. The uncompensated cost figures allow the Department to allocate State General Fund, and to receive and allocate Federal Matching Funds, which compensate providers for a portion of these uncompensated costs.

The instructions have been updated to help providers calculate their Medicaid Inpatient, Outpatient and CICP costs incurred for treating Medicaid and CICP clients by using the Medicare/Medicaid Cost Report and providers' internal records. The Department is requiring providers to break out these costs for the time period of January 1 to December 31, 2006. In the past, the data was meant to coincide with the current state fiscal year; however, we are now using actual instead of estimated figures.

Requests for Certification Letters will be mailed on February 12, 2007. Please calculate your cost data for the 12 month period, January 1 to December 31, 2006 and return the Certification Letters and required supporting documentation to Eugene Advincula by March 30, 2007 as final payments must be processed for disbursement by June 4, 2007.

CPPC Grant Program and Primary Care Fund Updates

Each The application schedules for the Comprehensive Primary and Preventive Care (CPPC) Grant Program and the Primary Care Fund for FY 2007-08 are currently being established. Tentative timeframes for those programs are as follows:

The Primary Care Fund

Stakeholders Meeting	March 2007
Application Release	Late March/Early April 2007
Application Due Date	May 2007
Award Notification	June 2007

The CPPC Grant Program

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Advisory Council Meeting	April 2007			
Application Release	Late May 2007			
Application Due Date	June 2007			
Award Notification	July 2007			

Health care providers interested in receiving funding from either of these programs are encouraged to visit the programs' websites which can be accessed from the Department's main website. The application form for the previous year along with other pertinent documentation and notifications are available on the websites. Providers are encouraged to review the previous application forms in order to obtain an understanding of the program, qualification criteria for providers, and the application process. Please contact Kerri Coffey, Safety Net Financing Grant Program Coordinator, at 303-866-4131 or Kerri.Coffey@state.co.us if you have any questions.

New Federal Poverty Level Guidelines

The annual update to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services poverty guidelines was published in the Federal Register. The new income limits are effective beginning April 1, 2007. Please use this newsletter as a supplement until the FY 2007-08 CICP Manual is published in June 2007. If you need a copy of the FY 2006-07 CICP Manual or a copy of the new income limits, please visit the CICP website at www.chcpf.state.co.us.

COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM ABILITY-TO-PAY SCALE

Effective April 1, 2007 - March 31, 2008 Income Ranges for Each Ability-to-Pay Rate

Family Size	Z	N	A	В	C	D
1	\$0 - \$4,084	\$0 - \$4,084	\$4,085 - \$6,330	\$6,331 - \$8,270	\$8,271 - \$10,210	\$10,211 - \$11,946
2	\$0 - \$5,476	\$0 - \$5,476	\$5,477 - \$8,488	\$8,489 - \$11,089	\$11,090 - \$13,690	\$13,691 - \$16,017
3	\$0 - \$6,868	\$0 - \$6,868	\$6,869 - \$10,645	\$10,646 - \$13,908	\$13,909 - \$17,170	\$17,171 - \$20,089
4	\$0 - \$8,260	\$0 - \$8,260	\$8,261 - \$12,803	\$12,804 - \$16,727	\$16,728 - \$20,650	\$20,651 - \$24,161
5	\$0 - \$9,652	\$0 - \$9,652	\$9,653 - \$14,961	\$14,962 - \$19,545	\$19,546 - \$24,130	\$24,131 - \$28,232
6	\$0 - \$11,044	\$0 - \$11,044	\$11,045 - \$17,118	\$17,119 - \$22,364	\$22,365 - \$27,610	\$27,611 - \$32,304
7	\$0 - \$12,436	\$0 - \$12,436	\$12,437 - \$19,276	\$19,277 - \$25,183	\$25,184 - \$31,090	\$31,091 - \$36,375
8	\$0 - \$13,828	\$0 - \$13,828	\$13,829 - \$21,433	\$21,434 - \$28,002	\$28,003 - \$34,570	\$34,571 - \$40,447
Poverty Level*	40% & Homeless	40%	62%	81%	100%	117%

Family Size	E	F	G	Н	I
1	\$11,947 - \$13,579	\$13,580 - \$16,234	\$16,235 - \$18,889	\$18,890 - \$20,420	\$20,421 - \$25,525
2	\$16,018 - \$18,208	\$18,209 - \$21,767	\$21,768 - \$25,327	\$25,328 - \$27,380	\$27,381 - \$34,225
3	\$20,090 - \$22,836	\$22,837 - \$27,300	\$27,301 - \$31,765	\$31,766 - \$34,340	\$34,341 - \$42,925
4	\$24,162 - \$27,465	\$27,466 - \$32,834	\$32,835 - \$38,203	\$38,204 - \$41,300	\$41,301 - \$51,625
5	\$28,233 - \$32,093	\$32,094 - \$38,367	\$38,368 - \$44,641	\$44,642 - \$48,260	\$48,261 - \$60,325
6	\$32,305 - \$36,721	\$36,722 - \$43,900	\$43,901 - \$51,079	\$51,080 - \$55,220	\$55,221 - \$69,025
7	\$36,376 - \$41,350	\$41,351 - \$49,433	\$49,434 - \$57,517	\$57,518 - \$62,180	\$62,181 - \$77,725
8	\$40,448 - \$45,978	\$45,979 - \$54,966	\$54,967 - \$63,955	\$63,956 - \$69,140	\$69,141 - \$86,425
Poverty Level*	133%	159%	185%	200%	250%

^{*}Percent of federal poverty level which corresponds to the upper limit of income in each rating level.

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